

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) The composition of *Epimedium* extracts ~~comprise~~ comprising flavones and polysaccharides in ratios varied from 2:8 to 8:2 by weight which are used in treatment of prostatic hyperplasia~~[[.]], and wherein the~~ total flavones of the extracts are in the range of 20-90%~~,~~ and the molecular weights of extracted polysaccharides vary from 1,000 to 700,000 Daltons.

2. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the ratios of flavones and polysaccharides are about 3:7 to 6:4 by weight of the composition~~[[.]], and wherein said~~ total flavones comprise 10-90% of icariin and icariin I, and the molecular weights of extracted polysaccharides vary from 45,000 to 620,000 Daltons.

3. (Currently Amended) A method ~~comprises of~~ Epimedium herb extraction ~~to prepare claim 1 or 2 is as follows~~ comprising the steps of:

~~Extract~~ extracting a sufficient quantity of *Epimedium* herb with 60-95% organic solvent~~[[.]], Recover~~ recovering the organic solvent from ~~[[the]] a filtrate~~~~[[.]],~~ ~~[[Add]]~~ adding onto the Absorptive Resin (D₁₀₁ or D₁₄₀) Column, and then ~~wash~~ washing the column with water~~[[.]], Elute~~ eluting the column with 30-85% ethanol and recover the eluent by suction filtration~~[[.]], Collect~~ collecting all the eluent and ~~evaporate~~ evaporating to dryness~~[[.]], wherein the~~ total flavones in the residue are about 20-90%~~[[.]],~~

~~Decoct~~ decocting the *Epimedium* residue with water and ~~concentrate~~ concentrating the aqueous solution~~[[.]], Adjust~~ adjusting with a quantity of ethanol to a content of 70-85% and ~~stand~~ standing still for a while~~[[.]], Filter~~ filtering to obtain

the crude polysaccharides[.], ~~Dissolve~~ dissolving the polysaccharides in water and ~~add~~ adding chloroform n-butanol mixture (3-6:1) to precipitate protein debris[.], ~~Remove~~ removing any polysaccharides below 1000 Daltons by ultra filtration[.], ~~Concentrate~~ concentrating the aqueous extract to dryness and obtain polysaccharides of molecular weight 1,000 to 700,000 Daltons[.], and

~~Mix~~ mixing the extracted *Epimedium* flavones and polysaccharides to obtain combinations in ratios from 2:8 to 8:2 by weight of composition.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the extract comprises *Epimedium* flavones and polysaccharides in ratios from 3:7 to 6:4 by weight of composition[.], and wherein the 60-95% organic solvent used in the extraction process contains ethanol, propanone, isopropyl alcohol and / or methanol.

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~composition~~ method of claim 4, wherein the total flavones of extract comprises 10-90% icariin and icariin I[.], following the *Epimedium* polysaccharides extraction protocol[.], the crude polysaccharides is redissolved in water[.], ~~Add~~ adding sufficient quantity of ethanol to make up the final concentration of 70-85%[.], ~~Stand~~ standing still for a while and ~~harvest~~ harvesting the refined polysaccharides by filtration[.], and wherein the molecular weight of polysaccharides lies within 45,000 to 620,000 Daltons.

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~composition~~ method of claim 5, wherein the combinations of flavones polysaccharides mixtures are in ratio of 3:7, 4:6, 5:5, 6:4 or 7:3[.], and wherein these combinations can be used alone or with any pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle/ excipients.

7. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition used in treatment of prostatic hyperplasia and prostatitis, characterized in that the pharmaceutical composition comprises Radix Ginseng, pollens, Radix Astragali, Cortex Phellodendri, *Epimedium* flavones and/ or *Epimedium* polysaccharides.

8. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 7, ~~comprises~~ comprising:
- a. 1-6 portion by weight of ginseng extract containing 6-10% ginsenoside;
 - b. 1-8 portion by weight of pollen/ pollen extract containing 10-20% flavones;
 - c. 1-4 portion by weight of radix astragali extract containing 3-5% astragaloside and 20-30% polysaccharides;
 - d. 1-6 portion by weight of cortex phellodendri extract containing 10-15% berberine; and
 - e. 4-16 portion by weight of *Epimedium* flavones containing 20-90% flavones and / or *Epimedium* polysaccharides

9. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 8, wherein comprises by weight: 1-2 portion of ginseng extract, 2-4 portions of pollen or pollen extract, 1-2 portion of radix astragali extract, 1-2 portion of cortex phellodendri extract and 5-10 portions of *Epimedium* flavones and / or *Epimedium* polysaccharides.

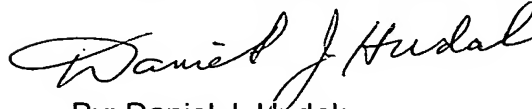
10. (Currently Amended) The ~~formulations~~ formulation of claim 7[[9]], ~~can be~~ mixed with any pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle/ excipients to formulate various preparations in different dosage forms.

11. (New) The formulation of claim 8, mixed with any pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle/ excipients to formulate various preparations in different dosage forms.

12. (New) The formulation of claim 9, mixed with any pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle/ excipients to formulate various preparations in different dosage forms.

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